

Colts Now Resting on the Brink of First Place

COLTS WHIP GOOBERS AFTER NINE INNINGS OF FLASHY BASEBALL

Both Teams Put Up Remarkable Defense Behind Good Pitching of Strain and Brooks—Come Into Last Box With Score 1 to 1 Tie, When John Raley Hits in Pinch.

Players	A.B.	R.	H.	2B.	3B.	H.R.	S.B.	S.H.	T.B.	S.O.	B.B.	A.	E.
Eberts, cf.	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Griffin, 2b.	4	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Laval, rf.	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Haley, lb.	4	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Piez, lf.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0
Newton, ss.	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0
Breenahan, 3b.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
Hogers, c.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0
Strain, p.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	30	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	15	2	0	27	11

Players	A.B.	R.	H.	2B.	3B.	H.R.	S.B.	S.H.	T.B.	S.O.	B.B.	A.	E.
Krepps, 2b.	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	2
Damrau, 3b.	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Laughlin, c.	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2
Spencer, rf.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Blackstone, lf.	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	0
Barnett, lb.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	10	0	0
Simmons, cf.	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Spy, ss.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0
Brooks, p.	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3	0
Totals	30	1	6	1	0	0	0	0	7	5	0	28	12

Score by Innings.
RICHMOND: 0 0 0 1 2 0 0 0 0 1—2
PETERSBURG: 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0—1
Summary: Double plays—Spy to Krepps to Barnett. Left on bases—Richmond, 3; Petersburg, 2. Struck out—By Strain, 5; by Brooks, 2. Passed ball—Rogers. Time of game—1:27. Umpire—Colgate.

BY GUS MALBERT.
Nine chock-full innings, each laden with the very best there is in baseball, were necessary to bring a satisfactory conclusion to the first of a four-game series between Richmond and Petersburg. Richmond won, 2 to 1, but it happened only after the Goobers had stowed away twenty-six of the local smitsemens, two being out in the ninth when Manager Griffin counted the winning run.

Harvey Brooks and Charlie Strain, lately renamed the Walter Johnson of the Virginia League, were the pitmen opposed, and each is entitled to all the encomiums a delighted assemblage of fans can offer. If there is better baseball than was dished yesterday, it has not been on the menu these many days. Not a crack in the defense of either club, not even the semblance of hesitancy on the part of either hurler; not a flaw discovered in any branch of the contest.

Victory logically must perch somewhere, and Richmond was able to land on Harvey sufficiently, though at widely separated intervals, to garner two tallies and the game. Every ounce of offensive strength in the Griffithian strongbox was called into play to win the game. Hetnie Busch, though he was an enforced idler, was anxious to gain the first lap in the foray which is to determine whether Richmond or Petersburg is entitled to first place at this stage of the running. He chose from among his many assistants the product of West Point, who has been so eminently successful against the Colts up to the present turning point.

Report to All Trucks.
Steve Griffin was equally as ambitious, and not an ounce of strategy was wasted by either general. There was to be no quarter asked and none was to be given. Every point of the game was to be earned. If a cracking defense was shown, each team was ready to fill the breach, and thus the battle was waged until the fourth, when Richmond was able to discover a narrow, though perceptible watering in the gunning of Brooks. Thrice the sharpshooters were able to outguess his sturdy arm, and as a result of this triple onslaught one run came across.

But for the bracing defense shown by the visitors the bombardment at this stage would have resulted in more deadly slaughter. Steve Griffin led with a rap at the feet of Krepps, which landed the Colt pilot safely at first, after having the count stand two strikes and one ball, hoisted just over second base, with the whole Goobers infield drawn out of position, sending his employer on to third, while Spencer played tag with who ball John Raley, who was destined to star later, drove in the earliest tally recorded, and though Laval got as far as third, he was unable to cross, Piez and Newton both falling easy victims to Brooks's wiles.

But it was one run to the good, and with both ball clubs going at the gait set from the beginning that one run loomed large. It stood the Colts in good stead until the sixth, when the Goobers slammed Charlie Strain for a double and a single, jarring the hopes of homebats and placing a very considerable knot in the contest. Krepps jolted a double over Griffin's head, and Damrau followed with a one-base hit. Spy and Brooks were already down, and Krepps had two strikes when his

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50 TO 1 SHOT WINS IN FEATURE EVENT

Coy Lad, Rank Outsider, Leads Favorite, Joe Morris, at Douglas Park.

Louisville, Ky., May 29.—Coy Lad, a 50 to 1 shot, captured the feature event at Douglas Park this afternoon. The favorite, Joe Morris, was so sharply interfered with during the running of the event that he broke down and finished absolutely last. Coy Lad took the track away from his speedy opponents, made every post a winning one, and held on gamely when challenged by Morrilstown in the stretch. The latter, medium of a tremendous plunger, was possibly best, but the interference he had also to overcome prevented him from winning. Royal Tea, another long shot, saved the show money. Musgrave, the star rider for H. C. Hallenbeck, the New York millionaire turfman, was accounted responsible for the roughness that occurred, and it is likely that his license will be revoked.

Another long shot to catch the judge's eye first during the afternoon was Tattler. He paid his backers generous odds of 12 to 1.

COLLEGIANS ARE TOUTED TO WIN

But Battle Axe Warriors Ready for Argument When Teams Meet Tuesday.

Little else is being talked about in amateur circles but the meeting between the Battle Axe and Collegians next Tuesday. These two teams have given their followers some great sport for the last four or five years, and have always been close rivals for the local championship. At present they lead the Capital City League, the Battle Axe team having a clean sheet, while the Collegians have lost one out of the four played.

Both teams promise to put their strongest line-up in the field. The Collegians say they will reduce Battle Axe's percentage on Tuesday, while the latter say it can't be done just yet.

The game Tuesday will be pulled off at Broad Street Park and a good crowd should be on hand to see the fur fly.

DRIVERS ARE READY FOR TEST OF NERVES IN 500-MILE GRIND

Twenty-Seven Motor Cars With Greatest Drivers in World Waiting in Leash for Starter Flag in \$50,000 Prize Race at Indianapolis To-Day.

Entries 500-Mile Race.

Car.	Num-ber.	Driver.	Cylinder.	Plat-on, dis- placement.
Nyberg's	1	Harry Endicott	6	376
Stutz	2	Charles Merz	4	400.2
Stutz	3	Bill Anderson	4	400.2
Keeton	4	Bob Burman	4	350.5
Deussenberg	5	Bob Evans	4	350.5
Stutz	6	Jack Tower	4	350.5
Stutz	7	Don Herr	4	400.2
Sunbeam	8	Albert Bayot	4	350.5
Henderson	9	Billy Kipper	4	389.9
Gray Fox	10	Howard Wilcox	4	448
Pengest	11	P. Zeurrelli	4	448
Peugeot	12	Julius Goux	4	448
Anel	13	William Leisner	4	215.1
Shacht	14	John Jenkins	4	410.6
Merced	15	Caleb Bragg	4	410.6
Merced	16	Ralph de Palma	4	449.9
Merced	17	Spencer Wishart	4	229.7
Mercedes-Knight	18	T. Pilette	4	249.6
Tulsa	19	George Clarke	4	359.6
Isotta	20	Harry Grant	4	442.84
Isotta	21	T. Tetzi	4	442.86
Isotta	22	V. Trucco	4	442.86
Merced	23	R. Mulford	4	442.86
Case	24	Louis Disbrow	4	449
Case	25	Joseph Nikrent	4	449
Case	26	William Endicott	6	448
Deussenberg	27	William Haupt	4	350

Indianapolis, May 29.—With their machines in perfect trim, and carefully guarded by armed State militiamen, twenty-seven drivers, who to-morrow will risk their lives in an effort to capture \$50,000 in cash prizes, to-night are anxiously awaiting the fall of the starter's flag, which will be the signal for the opening of the annual 500-mile Memorial Day race at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. The record of 78.72 miles an hour, made in last year's race, is expected to be exceeded. The speedway is two and a half miles in circumference. Weather prospects for the race, which will be probably the warm day, with possibly showers.

The winner of the great race will receive \$20,000, the second man \$10,000 and the third, \$5,000. The balance of the \$50,000 purse will go to the rest of the finishers down to the tenth, who will get \$1,400. In addition to these prizes, there are other emoluments from accessory concerns, and the winner will net more than \$30,000 for his day's work.

For more than six hours to-morrow the men at the steering wheels of the race cars will thrill the throng of speed-hungry spectators. Those who lead the most thrills per minute have purchased seats overlooking the straight curves. They know that death for a pilot and his mechanic lurks in the oil-covered brick pavement if the slightest violation of nature's laws is committed where the big racers stand almost perpendicularly in swerving around the turns at full speed.

Down-town to-night men and women in cafes and hotel lobbies laughed about the chances the men in the race machines would take to-morrow to win honor and cash prizes for themselves and to entertain the crowds, who pay to see several hours of blood-tingling sport. Even money betters were made that death would overtake two or more of the men entered in the race.

Hotels in the city are filled to overflowing, and many are paying from \$5 to \$10 for the privilege of sleeping in cots strung about the corridors. Thousands of private homes have been thrown open to the visiting speed fans, and many owners of limousines are using their own machines as sleeping places. It was conservatively estimated to-night that more than 125,000 spectators would be admitted to the course to-morrow.

That this will be the last race of its kind here was freely predicted by automobile men to-night. It was even insidiously rumored that to-morrow's race would be the last of a speed event of any kind staged here.

The owners of the speedway, it was said, are considering plans for dividing the grounds into large lots and building a "homeless city." No horse-drawn vehicle will be permitted inside its limits, and the eligible residents of this proposed unique municipality will be the owners of automobiles.

When the twenty-seven cars are lined up at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning by Starter Charles Root the motor speedway course will be in the cleanest and most perfect condition in its history. Precautions against accidents to drivers have been studied carefully by the speedway management.

Preparing for Accidents.
Hospital accommodations have been

YALE TEAM GIVEN THREE-DAY REST

New Haven, May 29.—Yale baseball nine is in bad shape for its game with Princeton here Saturday, and the coaches have ordered three days' complete rest for it. It was driven so hard by the graduate coaches Monday that it was nearly lifeless in its game with Williams Tuesday, and daily practice was immediately stopped. Pumpelly, right fielder, sprained his ankle in the grueling practice Monday and is on crutches. He will be out of the play for the Princeton match, and the Holy Cross game here next Wednesday. Catcher Burdett was compelled to retire from the Williams game because he injured his hand, but will probably be able to play Saturday.

Norfolk Buys Vandine.
Norfolk, Va., May 29.—Dr. J. R. McCrary, president of the Norfolk Baseball Corporation, announced this afternoon that he has bought Second-Baseman Vandine, of Trenton, and that the latter is expected to report tomorrow. He also has made an offer to the St. Louis club, of the American League, for Third-Baseman Gramm, who was sold by Richmond last season.

He has not yet received an answer to the offer, however.

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